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BASE STATION PHYSICIANS' COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 18, 2012

Members Present

Grad, M.D., Michele – Palomar BHMD
Klingensmith, Todd – S.D. Paramedic Association
Kramer, M.D., Mark – Sharp Memorial BHMD
Linnik, M.D., Bill – Sharp Grossmont BHND
Madati, M.D., Jamil – Children's Hospital ED MD
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont BHNC
Miller, M.D., Alexander - NMCS
Reilly, M.D., Ian – Scripps La Jolla BHMD
Smith, D.O., Ryan – Tri-City Medical Center
Wang, M.D. Marcus – Scripps Mercy BHMD

County Staff

Pate, R.N., Rebecca
Smith, R.N., Susan
Stepanski, Barbara

Recorder

Loginov, Clara

In Attendance

Aker, Donna Kelly – UCSD ROC
Allington, R.N., Linda – Carlsbad Fire
Anderson, R.N., Marilyn – Vista Fire
Bingham, James – Vieja Fire

In Attendance (con'd)

Bourdon, R.N., Darlene – Scripps Mercy BHNC
Broyles, R.N., Linda – AMR/RCCP
Dotson, R.N., Melody
Duffy, Jennifer – Escondido/San Marcos
Egleston, Clint – Southwestern College
Graydon, R.N., Cheryl – Palomar BHNC
Healy, R.N., Marla – Sharp Memorial
Hitchcock, Kevin – Poway Fire
Hotka, Brian – Mercy Air
Howard, R.N., LuAnn – Scripps La Jolla
Hudnet, R.N., Carlen – Rural/Metro Ambulance
Idman-Gervais, R.N., Dianne – Sharp Grossmont
Lindsey, Matt – North County Fire
Maloney, M. Ryan – AMR
Murphy, R.N., Mary – CSA-17 Fire Department
Nichols, Dave – NRSW Federal Fire
Ochs, R.N., Ginger – S.D. Fire Department
Rice, Mike – AMR
Roberts, Kim – Scripps La Jolla
Robinson, Scott – National City Fire
Rosenberg, R.N., Linda – Sharp Memorial BHNC
Rosenberger, R.N., Wendy – Tri-City Medical Ctr.
Salerno, R.N., Elizabeth – AMR
Seabloom, R.N., Lynne – Oceanside Fire
Smith, Mitch – San Marcos Fire
Wells, R.N., Christine – Scripps La Jolla

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jamil Madati, M.D., called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

Dr. Madati announced that this would be his last BSPC meeting. A new chair will be voted on during the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ian Reilly, M.D., to approve the minutes from July 17, 2012, seconded by Alexander Miller, M.D. Motion carried.

III. MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Susan Smith, R.N. for Bruce Haynes, M.D.)

- A. Jim Dunford, M.D., of the City of San Diego received the CAL/ACEP EMS Achievement Award at the spring Scientific Assembly. CAL/ACEP is the California chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians.
- B. An incident of photos being taken in a hospital had been reported, and the importance of privacy was reiterated to all attendees. No photographs of patients or identifying information should be taken.
- C. As the stroke system is being further developed, time-dependent decisions and questions about stroke care are being identified. Three key questions that have been pinpointed are 1) Exact time of onset of the stroke symptoms; 2) The last (waking) time the patient exhibited no stroke symptoms; 3) If there is a witness or companion who can answer specific questions encourage them to come to the hospital with the patient or be available by phone; this is very helpful to the receiving physicians.
- D. The flu vaccine is available, and recommended for all healthcare personnel. There is some confusion regarding whether the county's distribution of the H1N1 vaccine to agencies was an exception. This was an unusual occurrence. Agencies should go through their employee health providers for flu vaccines.
- E. The San Diego Emergency Care Summit (formerly the Overcrowding Summit) will be held on October 25, 2012. Registration information is available. The summit will feature a presentation by a physician from Joplin, Missouri, who will talk about their emergency department experience after tornadoes hit the town in 2011. It will also include a prehospital panel, pediatric and burn surge, narcotic prescribing, psychiatric holds, and licensing updates.
- F. A reminder was given that there is no psychiatric bypass category.
- G. Palomar Hospital moved into their new facility in August. The move went smoothly. Some services are still located at the old facility, including labor and delivery, urgent care, pediatrics, and behavioral health. The new ED will still accept these patients.

- H. The 2010 trauma report is available on the EMS website.
- I. The next statewide drill will take place on Thursday, November 15, 2012. It will be an earthquake scenario and will take place during the evening shift, from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.
- J. Protocol review will begin in mid-October. Ms. Smith will be sending information out shortly.
- K. The Joint Commission has certified Primary Stroke Centers, and is developing Comprehensive Stroke Centers. These hospitals will have ability to perform some invasive procedures, and will have additional personnel requirements. The integration of these facilities will be part of the development of the stroke system under new state regulations. The regulations should be released shortly for pre-public comment, as should STEMI regulations.
- L. EMS for Children regulations were released, which would define four levels of receiving hospitals, and data collection and personnel requirements. Comments are due by October 2, 2012.
- M. During the week of September 10, iQCS went live. Base hospital coordinators and some MICNs have undergone training.
- N. The California Health Alert Network (CaHAN) underwent an update, so anyone using the system needs to change their CaHAN password.

IV. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Michele Grad, M.D., of Palomar Hospital had volunteered to take Dr. Madati's place as chair for BSPC. The motion to appoint Dr. Grad was proposed to the group by Dr. Madati, and approved unanimously. Motion carried.

V. SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE DISASTER COUNCIL (Linda Rosenberg, R.N.)

- A. On September 29, 2012, there will be a Disaster Preparedness Day expo at Sharp Spectrum from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be samples of heavy equipment, and there will also be an opportunity for the disposal of drugs and electronics.
- B. The aforementioned San Diego Emergency Care Summit (formerly the Overcrowding Summit) will take place on October 25, 2012 at Scripps La Jolla.
- C. Planning is on track for the November statewide exercise. The focus will be on pediatrics. The work group for the drill is encouraging all facilities to keep communication open with Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), as they are important resource and will be utilized in the November exercise. During the exercise, it should also be noted that there will be a Hospital Available Beds for Emergencies and Disasters (HAvBED) drill, and counts of beds (including NICU beds) and ventilators will be required.

- D. Dr. Bill Linnick asked about an active shooter drill scheduled for January. With recent events around the country, he stated that there should be discussion of regular shooter drills. Ms. Rosenberg stated that there are a number of shooter trainings happening on the hospital level. Each hospital's security officer should be able to provide information about drills and trainings. Scripps La Jolla will be having a meeting in December with one of the trauma surgeons from the recent Colorado shooting, and information will be sent out regarding that. This will be discussed in January, after the active shooter drill at San Diego State University.

VI. BEACON UPDATE (Gary Vilke, M.D.)

Dr. Vilke was not at the meeting; there was no Beacon update.

VII. ROC (Dan Davis, M.D.) (*This item taken out of order*)

- A. The Amiodarone, Lidocaine or placebo study (ALPS) has had approximately two dozen subjects enrolled, but no results have been released yet. San Diego was an early participant in this study.
- B. There is a study on cardiac arrest and CPR currently taking place at other sites, comparing continuous compression CPR and standard American Heart Association CPR with interrupted chest compressions. Because San Diego already uses continuous compression CPR, we will not participate in this study.
- C. The Biomarker Lactate Assessment of Shock in Trauma (BLAST) study has been completed, and is in the data analysis phase.
- D. There are no current planned trauma studies, but there is an upcoming in-hospital study that will focus on platelet transfusion. This study will be run through the ROC infrastructure, but because San Diego's procedures are in line with the study's, there are no plans to participate.
- E. The next potential trauma study will use high-dose estrogen for traumatic brain injuries and traumatic shock. A pilot of this study was done in Dallas and was submitted for review to the FDA. This study would still be a year away, at least.

VIII. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

- A. Lynne Seabloom, R.N., had previously requested time to do a presentation on North County. This has been rescheduled from September to October.
- B. A representative from Poison Control will present on updates regarding charcoal at a future meeting. They also may discuss carbon monoxide poisoning.
- C. The active shooter drill at SDSU will be discussed in January.

X. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is October 16, 2012 in the Sharp Boardroom. Adjournment was at 11:34 a.m.